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Attached hereto is a copy of the recently received European Search Report and a translation thereof. Also attached are copies of those references not already of record.

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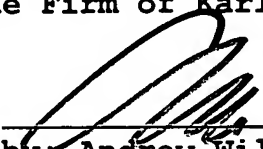
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